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Cycle C for Sundays and Solemnities
Year 1 for Weekdays
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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekend 11th / 12th October 2025

Saturday 11/10	6pm	Battle	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Mr Francis Fernandes, RIP
Sunday 12/10	9am	Northiam		People of the Parish
Sunday 12/10	11am	Battle		Intention of the Linnett & Auger Families
Monday 13/10	NO MASS			
Tuesday 14/10	6pm	Battle	Tuesday of Week 28 in Ordinary Time	No Intention
Wednesday 15/10	10am	Battle	Saint Teresa of Ávila	No Intention
Thursday 16/10	9.45am	Battle	Thursday of Week 28 in Ordinary Time	John & Doreen Grun, RIP
Friday 17/10	10am	Battle	Saint Ignatius of Antioch	No Intention
Saturday 18/10	6pm	Battle	St Philip Howard, Martyr, Patron of the Diocese	Pedro & Carlotta Fernandes, RIP
Sunday 19/10	9am	Northiam		People of the Parish
	11am	Battle		Intention of Catherine Zielicka

**There will be a Second Collection for Prisons Sunday this weekend
Next weekend there will be a Second Collection for World Mission Sunday**

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for St Philip Howard, Martyr, Patron of the Diocese

- **First Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9**

Like a sacrificial whole burnt offering he accepted them.

- **Second reading: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15**

He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence.

- **Gospel: Matthew 10:17-22**

It is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father.

We pray for the Sick and Housebound Members of our Community:

From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael: Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Sheila Lilley, Madeleine Salter, Gretta Johnson, Helen Powell, Tom Dodd, Suzanne McAdie, Hazel & Helena Lobo, Marianne Clemence, Marie & Sarah Skilton, Phil & Pauline Bedford, Dilys Fraser, Claire and Peter Bates.

From St Teresa's: Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster, Eileen O'Shaughnessy, Margot Leahy, Jacquelyn Solly, Felicity Youlten.

Prayer Intentions - please remember the following people in your prayers this week:

Guy Hooper, Maureen Ashing, Gerard Leahy, Jo Watkins, Patrick Armstrong, Andrew Brodrick-Ward, Anthony Gibbons RIP, Katie Spall RIP, Cilla Wintle RIP, Paul Weller RIP, Michael Conroy RIP, Fr Wilson RIP, Maureen Shaw RIP, Margaret Thunder RIP, Rowena Bennett, RIP, Pauline Fraser, RIP.

- **Move-It Club:** Every Thursday morning, in the Parish Room at 10.15am with Lindsey. Please stay for a relaxed coffee and chat afterwards too. If you would like to join, please contact the office for more information: 01424 773125 or e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk.
- **Battle Foodbank:** We are quite well stocked as harvest donations are arriving but could still do with Cartons of UHT Long Life Whole Milk (Blue); Sunflower Oil; Tins of Chicken Breast and Packets of Tampax or similar please - any toiletries, baby and household items are always welcome - thank you for all your donations they are very much appreciated.

**** Please note - Tuesday evening Mass is now at the earlier time of 6pm,
starting next week 14th October ****

- **CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest:** Thank you for all your very generous donations – the amount raised so far is £421.85! If you missed the chance to donate last weekend, envelopes are still available if you wish to make a donation. As Pope Leo XIV tells us that those experiencing poverty are “not recipients of our pastoral care but creative subjects who challenge us to find novel ways of living out the Gospel.”
- **Knights of St Columba, Hastings and Rother Council 630 – Charity Autumn Quiz**
At Holy Redeemer Church Hall, on Saturday 18th October, 7.45pm prompt start. £6 per ticket or £20 for a family of four, includes light refreshment, bring your own wine or beer and a raffle. All proceeds for Mary's Meals and Food Bank. Tickets from Sean 07874061235, Fidelis 07946689934, David 07479985968, Brian 07934408043.

Diocesan run events

Sussex Catholic Education Trust: The official launch of the Sussex Catholic Education Trust will be conducted by Bishop Richard Moth in Arundel on 17 October. This new charity (charity number 1211602) has been set up to benefit state Catholic schools in Sussex by providing funding to support projects which will help the schools and their pupils thrive, nurturing the high-quality education that our schools already provide. Education, especially for one-form entry primary schools, is currently chronically underfunded and as our Trust's funding grows, it will be used to provide resources, facilities and/or services which will create opportunities that inspire young minds and build strong, compassionate communities. Sadly, due to falling rolls, two of our primary schools in Sussex have recently closed. Our schools are seen as an integral part of the Bishop's pastoral plan and play a significant role in turning the vision of the Church's mission on Earth into reality so our aim is to do all we can to support our Catholic schools to continue to flourish. If you are interested in supporting this new charity, you can use the donate page on the charity's website

W: www.sussexcatholiceducationtrust.org.uk to provide funding. If you wish to offer your expertise and services in other ways to our Trust, please contact the Trust Secretary at E: secretary@sussexcatholiceducationtrust.org.uk. We look forward to hearing from you and thank you for your generosity.

Marriage Anniversaries Mass – this Saturday 11 October 11.30am at Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge, Surrey KT13 8JD

Whether you are celebrating a special anniversary or simply giving thanks for your marriage this year, come and join us for our annual celebration of the joys and grace of sacramental marriage. Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass for us at 11.30am. There will also be a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows during Mass. This will be followed by a small drinks reception in the Parish Hall. Family and friends are very welcome. The church and hall are wheelchair friendly, with a number of disabled parking spaces available. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact Deacon Simon South

E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

Ministry of Consolation

Do you have a good listening ear? Do you feel you could support those who are struggling with loss or bereavement? We are recruiting for our training course to become a member of the Ministry of Consolation team of volunteer befrienders. The course runs online for a total of 7 weeks on each Wednesday throughout January and February 2026(9.30am-1.30pm). To find out more contact E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk. Application process ends on 15 November 2025.

Diocesan Vacancy

Communications Officer, part-time, permanent

Salary: £17,500 for 0.5 FTE (Based on a full-time salary of £35,000)

Location: Based in Crawley, with hybrid working & travel across the Diocese required

Application deadline: 16 October

Interviews: 22 October in Crawley

The successful applicant will produce and edit accurate, well-written online and offline content across diocesan platforms, telling the Church's story and its contribution to society. The successful candidate will support the Head of Communications in managing the digital and print presence of the diocese, including content management for our website and social platforms and communications for fundraising campaigns. To find out more and to apply, go to the Diocesan website: abdiocese.org.uk/careers/p-tcomms

The Diocese sends out a weekly E-Bulletin newsletter which includes Bishop Richard's Weekly Reflection, and details of formation and events taking place across the Diocese and our wider Catholic community. Please click on the link to sign up mailchi.mp/7529e811ae63/joinourlist – it's a great way to stay in touch!

Externally run events

Catholic Radio Station “Radio Maria England” is holding its annual Mariathon from 15–17 October, with special programming focused on the “Quiet Revival”. Inspiring guest speakers will share how they have witnessed the growth of faith, church attendance, and ministries in this country over the past decade. You can listen on a DAB radio or smart speaker, the Radio Maria App, or online at www.radiomariaengland.uk

- Fr Richard is happy to receive Mass Intentions, please pop them in the letter box outside the office, or let Maggie know on 773125, e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk
- The office is open Monday and Thursday mornings between 9.30am and 1.30pm.